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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT	

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, this Information Disclosure Statement in connection with the above-identified application is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b):

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- before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits of, after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under §1.114.

A copy of each non-U.S. document identified on the attached Forms PTO/SB/08A and

-1-03-2006 PTO/SB/08B is attached, however, in accordance with Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003, copies of the U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.

Foreign Patent Document 1 relates to a system and method for finite element model processing. Document 2 relates to a method for generating three-dimensional orthogonal grating data. Document 3 relates to a method for storing substance data obtained by integrating shape and physical property.

Non-Patent Literature Document 1 relates to computational geometry. Document 2 relates to Digital Picture Processing. Document 3 relates to a volumetric method for building complex models from range images. Document 4 relates to rapid octree construction from image sequences. Document 5 relates to robust meshes from multiple range maps. Their relevance is believed to be clear from the specification of the present application.

Accordingly, no further comment with regard to the disclosures of these documents is believed.

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Also attached is a copy of the Search Report (Non-Patent Literature Document 8) issued in the corresponding International application. Since Foreign Patent Documents 4-6 and Non-Patent Literature Documents 6-7 cited herein were cited in said Search Report, it is believed that the relevancy of each document cited is clear from the Search Report.

Accordingly, no further comment with regard to the disclosures of these documents is believed to be required.

It is respectfully requested that the attached documents be considered and officially cited, and that the Examiner initial a copy of Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B, and return them to the undersigned to indicate that the documents have been considered.

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